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DECLARATION OF PHILIP WILSON HOWARD
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.132

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Dear Sir:

I, Philip Wilson Howard declare as follows:

1. I have personal knowledge of the following facts and I make this declaration in support of the prosecution of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/598,691 ("the Application") before the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

2. I am currently a consultant to SpiroGen Limited, a position I have held since September 2008. Prior to that I was Director of Chemistry of SpiroGen Limited and a Senior Research Fellow of the School of Pharmacy, University of London. My *curriculum vitae* is attached as Exhibit A.

3. I am a co-inventor of the subject matter of the above-referenced Application.

4. I understand that in an Office action dated September 29, 2008, Examiner Kifle finally rejected claims 1, 3-5, 7, 10 and 14-16 of the Application under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being obvious over PCT Publication No. WO 93/18045 ("Thurston et al.").

Thurston et al. is cited by the Examiner for teaching a generic group of pyrrolobenzodiazepine derivatives.

5. The compound claimed has better properties than those disclosed in Thurston et al. that would not be predicted by one of ordinary skill in the art. For example, as disclosed in the specification of the Application at page 41, the claimed compound has an IC_{50} value in an assay using K562 human chronic myeloid leukaemia cells of about 0.05 nanomolar. This IC_{50} value is superior and unexpected from the teachings of Thurston et al., which discloses an IC_{50} value in an assay using K562 cells of 10 nm for a compound in which the group linking the pyrrolobenzodiazepine moieties contains three carbons (example 6) compared to the five carbon linking group of the claimed compounds and an IC_{50} value of 0.5 micromolar for a compound (example 4) that differs from the claimed compound by having no substituents on the PBD C-ring.

6. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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Attachment: Exhibit A

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Qualifications

PhD University of East Anglia, "The Preparation and Chemistry of Dihydrocatechol Derived Organoiron Complexes".

BSc (2.1) Applied Chemistry, Kingston Polytechnic

Key Achievements

- Proven track record in anticancer drug discovery
 - SJG-136 (SG2000) phase I/II clinical candidate
 - SG2285 a promising preclinical candidate
 - 14 Years experience of leading chemists
 - 50 Peer Reviewed scientific papers (See Appendix)
 - 17 Patents
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Career

September 2008 – Chemistry and IP Consultant to Spirogen

2001- September 2008: Director of Chemistry Spirogen /Senior

Research Fellow, University of London, School of Pharmacy.

1999-2001: Senior Research Fellow, University of Nottingham

1995-1999: Senior Research Lecturer, University of Portsmouth

1993-1995: Post Doctoral Fellow, University of Portsmouth

1990-1993: Post Doctoral Fellow, SmithKline Beecham

General Skills

- Design, synthesis and optimization of novel anticancer agents
 - Leading and supervising chemists (Spirogen chemistry team members, post docs, PhD, MSc and undergraduate students)
 - Managing synthetic drug discovery projects
 - Liaising with in-house biologists and interpreting biological and analytical data
 - Collaborating with external research partners
 - Running and organizing an 18-chemist laboratory (COSHH etc)
 - Writing scientific reports, papers and drafting patents
 - Presenting scientific results (at internal meetings, invited lectures at scientific conferences, and open days to members of the public)
 - Preparing "Due Diligence" and presenting research at VC meetings
 - Organizing scientific workshops for Spirogen staff and post graduates
 - Chemistry related computer software packages Activity Base, Chemdraw, Scifinder Scholar etc.
 - Designing two chemistry laboratories (layout, number of hoods, services etc)
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Technical Chemical Skills

- Working with moisture and air sensitive reagents (standard syringe and canular techniques)
- Flash Chromatography
- Synthetic techniques including
 - Oxidations (Swern, PDC, Dess-Martin, TPAP etc)
 - Reductions (NaBH_4 , LiBH_4 , Raney nickel hydrazine etc)
 - Olefination chemistry
 - Mitsunobu chemistry
 - Nitrations
 - Protecting group chemistry
 - Palladium chemistry (especially Suzuki reactions)
- Combinatorial Chemistry (On solid support and in solution)
- Heterocyclic chemistry
- Solid Supported reagents and scavengers, catch and release techniques
- Microwave chemistry
- Automation (ACT396, IRORI and TRANSPORT system)
- Interpreting NMR (1 and 2D), MS, IR etc

Grants

CR-UK Programme Grant C180/A1060
CR-UK Project Grant C180/A1066
CR-UK Programme Grant C180/A5068
CR-UK Studentship C180/A4522
CR-UK Studentship C180/A2778
EPSRC Case Award GR/PO1366/01
CR-UK Equipment Grant C180/A3959

Invited Lectures

SMi Drug Design, “Gene Targeting Approaches to Anti-Cancer Drug Design”,
London, UK (February 2003).

Societa Chimica Italiana Divisione Di Chimica Farmaceutica (Italian Medicinal
Chemistry Summer School), Urbino, Italy (Jun-Jul 2003).

The Royal Society of Chemistry – Cancer Therapeutics in the 21st Century,
Manchester, UK (October 2003).

25th Winter Meeting of the EORTC-PAMM Group, Bradford, UK (January
2004).

Part 1 of SMi’s Global Cancer Event - Innovations in Cancer Drug Discovery,
“Design of Small Sequence-Selective DNA-Interactive Molecules”, London,
UK (June, 2004).

British Association of Cancer Research, Oxford, UK.

First European Conference on Chemistry for Life Sciences Rimini, Italy
October 2005

Hobbies and Outside Activities

Reading ancient and medieval history, amateur astronomy. I have also taken part in three "Relay for Life" fund raisers for CRC.

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Appendix

Patents

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